

of Montgomery, is detained from his seat in the Convention by indisposition.

Mr. Clarke submitted the following resolution:

Resolved, That a select Committee to consist of nine members, of which Committee the President of the Convention shall be Chairman, be appointed by the Chair, whose duty it shall be to confer with the President of the United States, our Senators and Representatives in Congress, and the appropriate Committees of Congress, to ascertain and report to this Convention, what appropriation if any, will be made by Congress, in pursuance of the recommendations contained in the messages of the President of the United States, of December 1862, and December 1863, and the joint Resolutions of Congress No. 26, approved April 10th, 1862, to aid the State of Maryland in the adoption of a system of Emancipation, and "to be and by said State in its discretion to compensate for the inconveniences, public and private, produced by such change of system."

Which was read the first time.

Mr. Goldsborough, (Mr. Purnell in the Chair,) submitted the following orders which were adopted:

COURT OF APPEALS.

Ordered, That the Committee on the Judiciary, be instructed to inquire into the expediency of reporting for the action of this Convention an elective system for the Judges of the Court of Appeals, based on the following suggestions:

1st. That the said Court consist of five Judges, two of whom shall be chosen from the Eastern Shore, and three from the Western Shore counties of the State.

2d. That one of said Judges be selected from the Eastern Shore, and one from the Western Shore counties of the State, who shall be elected by a majority of the legal votes cast in the whole State.

3d. That the other three Judges of said Court, be chosen, one from each of the present Gubernatorial Districts of the State, who shall be elected by the legal voters of said respective districts, from other counties in said district than those from which the two Judges elected by the people of the whole State may have been selected.

4th. That each of said Judges be elected for the period of twenty years, be required to reside at least eight months of the year at the seat of Government, be not less than thirty